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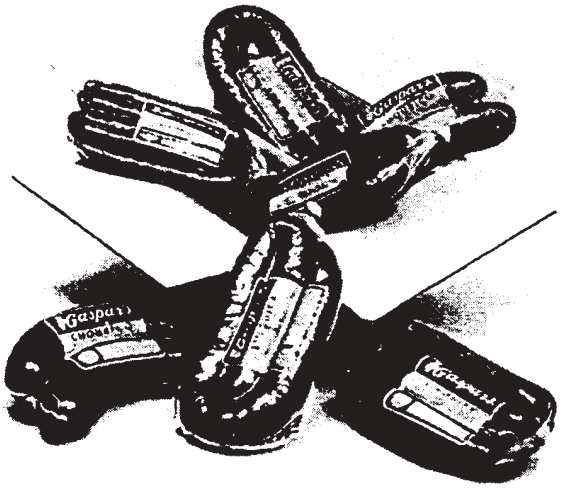
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Junior Amanda Kruger heads the cast as the calm and calculating Clara. Senior Courtney Sell, in his stage debut, portrays Anton Schill, Clara's old flame. Nick Hamer, also a senior, will be seen as the town's frantic yet professional Burgomaster, or mayor. The show is directed by Paul Sardinha, and will be presented at the Sippican Elementary School Auditorium, 16 Spring Street in Marion, on Thursday, November 21; Friday, November 22; and Saturday, November 23 at 8:00 pm. A matinee will be presented Sunday, November 24, at 2:00 pm.

Tickets are $8 for adults and $6 for students and senior citizens. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Marion General Store; Plumb Corner Market in Rochester; and Seaport Village Ice Cream and Coffee Shoppe in Mattapoisett. Tickets are also available at the door. Don't miss this timeless tale of desperate choices and vengeance.



Above: *Members of Mattapoisett Cub Scouts Troop 53 Den 3 recently worked on their "Citizenship Badge" by picking up litter in the town's Shipyard Park last month. Pictured here resting after doing their good deeds are (seated, l. to r.) Alex Calise, Alex Buckley (Den 1), Nathan Reynolds, Steven Price, and Bryan Buckley. (Photo courtesy of Andrea Buckley).*

On the cover: *ORR High School senior Courtney Sell and junior Amanda Kruger head the cast of the ORR Drama Club's production of* The Visit, *written by Friedrich Duerrenmatt. Directed by Paul Sardinha, the show will be presented in the Sippican Elementary School Auditorium, 16 Spring Street in Marion, on Thursday, November 21; Friday, November 22; and Saturday, November 23 at 8:00 pm; with a matinee on Sunday, November 24 at 2:00 pm. Tickets are $8 for adults and $6 for students and senior citizens and may be purchased in advance or at the door. (Photo by and courtesy of Joe Butterfield).*

"Do Not Call"

Representative Straus Announces Telemarketer List

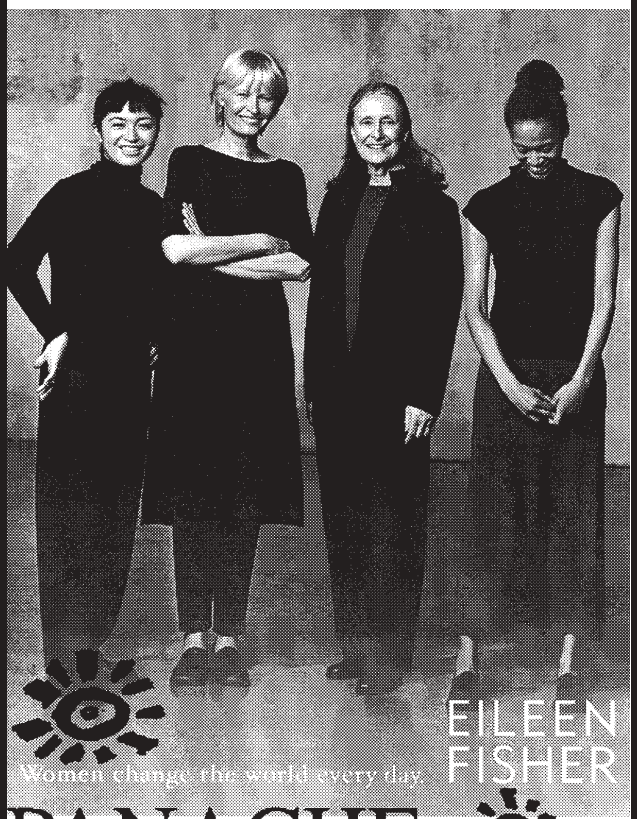
Representative William Straus (D-Mattapoisett)



Above: *Mattapoisett artist Peg Cooper's painting captures the seasonal spirit of the town's Shipyard Park at Christmas time. Ms. Cooper is just one of the many area artists whose work is now on display in the Dartmouth Gallery, Dartmouth Town Hall, 400 Slocum Road in North Dartmouth. The "Creative Spirit 2002" exhibit is running now through December 12. Gallery hours are Monday, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm and 6:00 to 8:00 pm; Tuesday through Friday, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. (Photo courtesy of Peg Cooper).*

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announced recently that the Executive Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation will soon begin to sign up consumers for the statewide "do not call list." Consumers who wish to sign onto this list can simply visit the website **www.mass.gov/donotcall** or call toll-free any time between January 1, 2003 and late March to add their name and telephone number to the "Do Not Call Registry."

Representative Straus, who was the original sponsor of the legislation establishing the "Do Not Call List," stated that this was one of the most important consumer protection initiatives established in Massachusetts in several years. "Massachusetts citizens will finally have the ability to protect their privacy at home from unwarranted intrusions from telemarketers," said Representative Straus.

Once this registry is established, telemarketers will be prohibited from calling residents whose phone numbers are on the list, or will be subject to prosecution by the Consumer Affair's office. The penalties for telemarketers who call residents on this list are fines of up to $5,000 per violation. Representative Straus also noted that "there would be no charge to residents who wish to register for this list."

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up since the last list was published.

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"Scouting for Food"

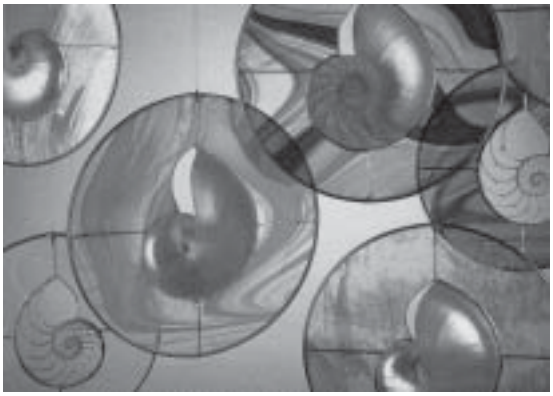
Mattapoisett Scouts Conduct Campaign

Mattapoisett Boy Scout Troop 53 conducted the "Scouting for Food" campaign recently by distributing empty plastic bags to homes and collecting the non-perishable and canned goods for the needy the following week. The troop would like to thank the community of Mattapoisett for their generosity to the campaign. The scouts collected over 400 items for local food pantries. The scouts also collected over 100 pounds of "drop" apples at a local orchard and delivered them to Sister Rose of Market Ministries Shelter in New Bedford.

Recent rank advancements within the troop are Matthew O'Dowd to *Star* Scout. Colin Calise and Tom Cole achieved the *Tenderfoot* rank. Congratulations to Seamus Lavalley who attained the prestigious *Eagle Scout Award* on Sunday, November 17.

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Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

November 18, 2002

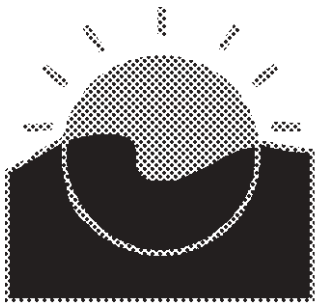
By Rebecca Fortin

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order by Chairman Paul Lambalot on Monday, November 18 at 7:00 pm. Also in attendance were Selectman Raymond Andrews, Selectman Barry Denham, and Executive Secretary Carol Adams.

After unanimously approving the minutes of the November 6 meeting, the board discussed items which required their signatures. The board appointed Patricia A. Aleks of Tinkham Road to the Sanitary Landfill Study Committee and also appointed Robert J. Rogers as the Planning Board representative.

The board also received a letter of resignation from Mark Sanford who is stepping down from the

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Recreation Committee, and appointed Kevin J. Murphy to fill his vacancy.

Under meetings scheduled for the week:

• Thursday, November 21 at 3:00 pm – Classification Hearing with the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Assessors to take place in the Town Hall Conference Room.

• Friday, November 22 at 6:00 pm – Mattapoisett Lions Club 50th Anniversary Celebration to be held at the Century House in Acushnet.

Next, the board reviewed Outgoing Correspondence for the week, which included the following:

• A memo sent to all union stewards informing them that a member of the Finance Committee (FinCom)



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• A letter sent requesting copies of updated CDL permits held by town employees.

• A letter sent to the Marine Advisory Board (MAB) in regards to an application from Richard Tatlock to serve on the board.

Executive Secretary Carol Adams then discussed several items on her report, which included:

• The 2003 Shellfish Buttons and Beach/Wharf Permits will be available effective December 2, 2002. Shellfish buttons go on sale for $25 each and stickers are $5 each.

• A 2:00 am closing time has been approved for all liquor establishments on New Year's Eve.

Ms. Adams asked the board if they would consider the establishment of a committee to assess the value of The Bay Club's proposal involving Tinkham Forest. To date, four applications have been received from interested candidates who wish to serve on such a committee. The board agreed to form the committee, and decided to allow a two-week period until the next Selectmen's meeting, which is to be held on December 2, to receive applications and letters of interest.

Chairman Lambalot explained that the formation of such a committee will be on behalf of the Selectmen to determine "if a land swap is in the best interest of the town." Selectman Denham added that the recommendation of the committee will be non-binding — that the issue will ultimately go before Town Meeting. The board

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welcomed all town board members, as well as residents, to serve on the committee.

The board next met with Police Chief Mary Lyons who came before them to discuss the creation of an Ambulance Drive Account which has been implemented to raise funds for the purchase of a new, fully-equipped ambulance.

The Police Department currently has one ambulance that is approximately seven years old and has 42,000 miles on it. It is a functioning vehicle and is working fine with modifications such as the addition of narcotic kits and the like, however, now that the department is at the paramedic level of service, a second and, more importantly, better-equipped ambulance is needed. The current ambulance will remain in use, but it will become a back-up vehicle.

As Chief Lyons and the board pointed out, most car accidents involve more than one person, and therefore the need for more than one ambulance is clear. In addition, if one ambulance has responded to a call, it is necessary that a second one be available should the need arise. The Police Department received 375 calls last year that required the services of an ambulance.

Chief Lyons explained that the Ambulance Drive Account will raise donations strictly for the purchase of the new ambulance, and is separate from both the Ambulance Budget Account and the Ambulance Donation Account, which are monies used for training and/or equipment. The cost of the new ambulance is estimated at $150,000 and the department expects to purchase it with donations only. A member of The Bay Club has offered to match dollar for dollar for the cost of the ambulance, meaning that the Ambulance Drive Account needs to raise approximately $75,000. Anyone interested in making a donation to the Ambulance Drive Account can make checks payable to the "Mattapoisett Police Department."



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Under incoming correspondence, the board received:

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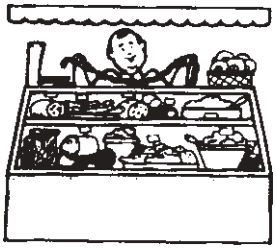
• A letter of resignation from Charles Ouellette as Deputy Shellfish Officer and Dog Officer.

• An opinion from Town Counsel regarding the "rights of public access to the Tinkham Forest." To summarize the opinion: "The conclusion seems clear that the Sippican Trail and Soloman Road were in use as general rights of way at least as early 130 years ago. There may never have been any grant associated with the access

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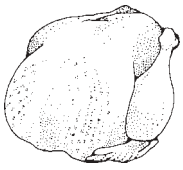
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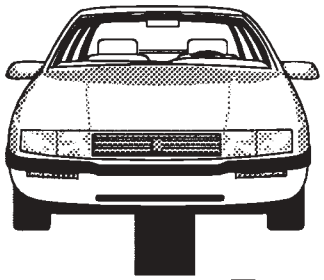
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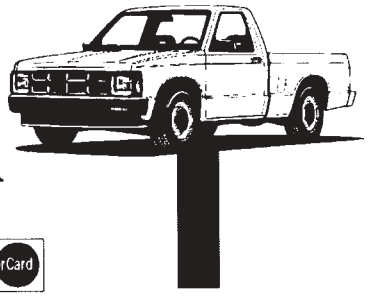


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• Notice that effective November 1 - April 30, the waters and flats inclusive within the area defined by a 100-foot boundary around the outermost structures of Leisure Shores Marina are open to the taking of shellfish.

• Letter from Charles Sisson, Executive Director of Coastline Elderly Services, Inc., advising that the Council on Aging's (COA) application to the Executive Office of Transportation and Construction for a fully accessible maxi-van has been approved.

• Notification from Stephen Kelleher that two vacancies have become available on the Bike Path Study Committee.

• A memo from the Mattapoisett School Committee seeking the Selectmen's approval to dispose of surplus equipment from Center School. They would also like the Selectmen's plans for the sale, bid, or auction of surplus Center School auditorium chairs.

With no further matters to come before the board in Open Session, the board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session at 7:30 pm, and would thereafter adjourn for the evening.

Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

November 18, 2002

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, November 18 at 6:30 pm by Chairman Patricia Ryan. Also present were Selectman Naida Parker, Selectman Richard Nunes, Town

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The board first held a required follow-up Public Hearing on the FY 2000 Community Development Fund Grant for the Rochester Senior Center Project. The hearing was a simple formality.

"The building is complete ... are there any problems?" asked Chairman Ryan.

"The electrician still has to do some detail work to get us through — other than that, I don't have any complaints," said Jill Bodeau, Chairman of the Building Committee.

There being no one else present to voice any concerns or complaints, the public hearing was officially closed.

At 6:55 pm the board met with Attorney Peter Bogle regarding A.D. Makepeace's recent request to rename a town-accepted road off High Street. There seemed to be some confusion as to whether the road in question was, in fact, a town-owned entity or a county-sanctioned public way.

"Back in those days, the towns did not want to bear the burden of a layout survey, so they asked the county to do it," Mr. Bogle said. "After it was approved, the town would take over the maintenance and ownership."

"Are they going to pave this road, widen it ... are we looking at (additional) construction costs to the

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town?" Chairman Ryan asked. "If they sell the (adjacent) lots, is this something that the town would now be liable for?"

"The town is already liable for (the road)," Mr. Bogle said.

"It's part of Pierce Street, (so) it's already part of the county layout," said Selectman Parker. "We would have to go through the county to get permission (to change the name). It could cause problems down the line. We'd need a consensus of the county commissioners to change the name. County layouts are filed with the town and then become the property and jurisdiction of the town."

"Right now, as I understand it, it's a thing hanging out there because they moved the road," said Chairman Ryan. "They've got two Pierce Streets coming out into High Street."

The board asked Mr. Bogle to get further clarification regarding the county-approved layout and jurisdiction over the road and then come back before them at a later time.

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The board next approved the minutes of the November 4 meeting, with Selectman Parker abstaining, and then approved the suggested naming of two roads in the Country Meadows subdivision as "Bryant Lane" and "Cromwell Lane."

At 7:10 pm the board met with Attorney Ronald Whitney and his client, Dwight McCombe, and Town Counsel Blair Bailey of Perry, Hicks, Crotty and Deshaies, to discuss Mr. McCombe's property on Snipatuit Road.

Mr. Whitney reviewed a brief background of Mr. McCombe's ongoing battles with the town over his two lots, "both of which have junk automobiles on them," according to Mr. Whitney.

"There was an action in 1985 where Mr. McCombe was found guilty of violating (town) by-laws," Mr. Whitney said. "In 1991 there was (another) judgement ... (and) last year, another judgement was entered against him. I understand you have a sheriff's sale slated for this Friday. I'm asking you to postpone the sale if Mr. McCombe can show a good faith effort in cleaning up his property."

Mr. Whitney proposed that if the sale were postponed, Mr. McCombe would be allowed to sell the smaller, one-acre lot which is "the least bothersome, if you will" and use the proceeds from that sale to clean up the larger, 4.5-acre problem lot.

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lot," Mr. Whitney said. "This is all prefaced on the fact that the (smaller) lot is a buildable lot."

Mr. Whitney said he solicited potential estimates for what the lot could sell for and was given an appraisal of $125,000 for the one acre.

"The benefit ... to the town is that you won't have to take title to a property that is a real problem," Mr. Whitney said. "I know this has been a long, drawn-out battle between you and Mr. McCombe. We all know that it can't continue in the same vein that it has ... (but) we can hopefully correct a long-standing problem."

"How much money would we need to remove (the) vehicles?" Chairman Ryan asked.

"The property is not worth $125,000," said Town Counsel Bailey. "I talked to several people, and it's probably worth $50,000 to $75,000. Back taxes (owed) are about $20,000 ... attorney's fees to date are about $3,000." That would leave only about $25,000 to $50,000 to clean up the problem lot, he said.

"My suggestion is that some 'hammer' be put in place in case the behavior which brought us to this point continues," Mr. Bailey said. "Something to ensure the town this wouldn't happen again. We don't know how long it will take to sell the property. Then, we'd have to put a deadline to clean up the other lot ... within 60 or 90 days of the sale."

"One of the major concerns I have is, not only has this gone on for a long time, but it's been about a year since we first sent (registered) letters (to Mr. McCombe) ... and now we're here four days before the sheriff's sale," Chairman Ryan said. "If we take title to the property, it will get done. We have no guarantees it will get done if you (retain it)."

"Obviously, this issue has been going on for a number of years," said resident Robert Hanson. "For those of us who do abide by (town and state laws), it seems to me we have to have some equality in adhering to the law. I'm not in favor of extending this time period, because it seems to me to be a very open-ended situation."

"It's really a last-ditch effort," Selectman Nunes agreed. "It's the eleventh hour and you're asking the town to give a little bit. As far as I'm concerned, it's too late."

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"I feel very badly, but I think it would be a breach of public trust to stop and turn it around now," Selectman Parker said. "The town has expended a great deal of time, money and resources ... yet (Mr. McCombe) has continued to fly in the face (of the town) by bringing even more cars onto the property. I wish we had this discussion a year ago."

Attorney Bailey did caution that if the town ends up taking title to the properties, there is potential liability in having to clean up the larger parcel. But there's nothing stopping the town from doing the same: selling the smaller lot to fund clean-up on the larger parcel.

"It would seem both courses of action are similar in their net effect, it's just a matter of who's driving the train," said resident Donna Jefferson. "It would be irresponsible of the town to allow someone to remain in control who has demonstrated a lack of willingness to correct things in the past."

Upon advice from Town Counsel, the board agreed to pass on Mr. Whitney's proposal to postpone the sheriff's sale. "We have decided not to change anything, the sale will take place on Friday," Chairman Ryan said.



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Under incoming correspondence, the board received:

• Notification of an amendment to the Peterson/Teal Conservation Restriction which adds another 4.8 acres to the restriction first granted to the Wildlands Trust in 1995, which also joins another 47 acres granted in 1999 creating a "160-acre block of contigious conservation land."

• Copy of a letter from Carol Hardy and Kevin J. Woodward of the Rochester Teachers' Association (RTA) to the Board of Selectmen and School Committee expressing their concern over comments made by Selectmen Chairman Patricia Ryan at the recent Tri-Town Selectmen's meeting as reported in the press. Specifically, the RTA took issue with Ms. Ryan's reported comment: "Teachers need to be told up front what towns can afford ... If not, here's the door."

"We believe Ms. Ryan's 'firm approach' to be a preemptive attempt to use the power of her position as a means of conflict intervention. It is our stance that ... Ms. Ryan's opinions demonstrate an unwillingness to negotiate in a manner that will benefit all parties involved." As a result of "Ms. Ryan's aggressive position toward the issue of teacher salary," the RTA is requesting that someone other than Ms. Ryan participate in future negotiations with the teacher's union.

Chairman Ryan responded in writing to the RTA and said she wished they had contacted her personally before "using such strong combative language in (a) letter to the Rochester Board of Selectmen and the School Committee Chairperson." She defended her comments by saying they were made during a free-flowing discussion of budgetary matters and that officials in all three towns were frustrated with having teacher contracts settled before other unions. "The tone of your letter is inappropriate and I will ask the other board members to allow me to continue as their representative when the next round of negotiations starts," she wrote.

• Payment in lieu of taxes for October 2002 in the amount of $248,858 from SEMASS.

• Notification from the Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) that the town's FY 2003 tax rate has been set.

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There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:07 pm.

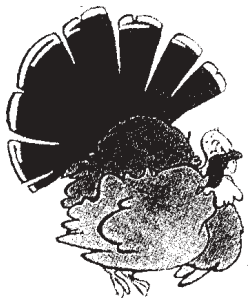
Marion Selectmen's Meeting

November 19, 2002

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, November 19 at 7:00 pm by Vice Chairman David Pierce. Also present were Selectman Andrew Jeffrey, Town Administrator Julia Enroth-Whitlock, and Secretary Helene Craver. Selectmen

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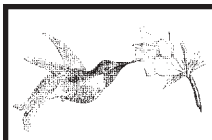
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Chairman Benjamin Bryant was not present for the meeting.

The board the signed and approved the treasury and payroll warrants for the week, and also approved the minutes of the October 29 and November 5 meetings of the board.

The Marion Council on Aging (COA) sent a letter to the board regarding requested procedure for bestowing the Boston Post Cane to the oldest living resident in town. Recently, the board expressed concerns over the cane being returned to Town Hall upon the caretaker's death to be given to the next oldest resident. As such, they asked the COA to establish a procedure to ensure the cane tradition continues.

"I think they fulfilled what we requested," said Selectman Jeffrey. With that, the board unanimously voted to approve the procedure as suggested.

The Music Hall Advisory Committee sent a letter suggesting a free Family Movie Night event be held at the Music Hall, with an initial date set for Friday, November 29. "I would accept the proposal submitted by the committee ... this is only a trial (event)," Selectman Jeffrey said.

"I look forward to seeing some very good programming come out of that suggestion," Selectman Pierce said.

Residents Dorothy Harris and Jonathan West sent a letter expressing their concern over the lack of adequate street lighting for the last half-mile of Point Road toward

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At 7:05 pm the board opened a Public Hearing to once again consider Sunday package store openings for the period between Thanksgiving and New Year.

"It's been done in Marion for the past few years," Ms. Enroth-Whitlock said. "The state legislature has allowed the local licensing authority, which is the Board of Selectmen in Marion, to permit Sunday openings."

There being no one present to voice objections, the board unanimously allowed the Sunday package store openings from Thanksgiving to New Year.

At 7:10 pm the board met with members of the Conservation Commission (ConCom) and newly-recommended alternate members. "We have requested of committees to come in and tell us what's going on in their sphere of influence," Selectman Pierce said, adding that the ConCom has recently recommended two new alternate appointments.

"The voting power of the alternate members was approved by the state legislature," said ConCom Chair-



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man Robert Merlino. "We have one of our alternate members here, Hod Kenney, and the other is Frank Germano. Both wish to be appointed (by the board)."

"It's my understanding that the alternates would now be coming in and be able to vote when full members cannot attend," Selectman Pierce said.

"Yes," Mr. Merlino said. "Hopefully now we can cover our business efficiently with all avenues covered. We will continue to deal with our applicants, hopefully in an even-handed manner. Being regulators, we're not always the most favorite people in town, but we try to be fair."

"We certainly want to say how delighted we are with the excellent service the ConCom has given the town over the years," Selectman Pierce said.

"All that I hear is (the ConCom) is doing a great job for the town and I hear relatively few complaints," agreed alternate member candidate Horace "Hod" Kenney. "It's tough to regulate and still try to even-handedly deal with (issues). I give the ConCom a lot of credit."

With that, the board unanimously voted to appoint Frank Germano Jr. and Horace "Hod" Kenney as alternate members of the ConCom.

"We have two very well-qualified individuals there," Selectman Pierce said.

Returning to correspondence, the board received a letter from Mike Michon of St. Michael's Construction in Marion suggesting a "friendly 40B" development project, according to Selectman Pierce, which would cater to residents aged 55 and over. "It's excellent that we're beginning to get interest in the 40B field," Selectman Pierce said.

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The Friends of the Point Road Memorial Forest sent the board a letter advising that a celebration will be held on Sunday, November 24 at 2:00 pm at which time the committee will turn over the operations of a surveyed and landscaped woodland cemetery parcel earmarked for the burial of cremated remains.

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"I'm delighted to see that this is moving forward," Selectman Pierce said.

The Executive Office of Environmental Affairs submitted notification that the Town of Marion has been selected to receive up to $187,800 in Self-Help Assistance for the Washburn Park property.

"Both (State Representative) Bill Straus and (State Senator) Marc Pacheco played a major part in pushing the Self-Help Grant for Washburn Park through," said Hod Kenney. The board suggested a letter of appreciation be drafted and sent to both state legislators for their assistance.

Ms. Enroth-Whitlock noted the town would not be receiving grant funding for recycling due to a significant decrease in collected recycled material as reported to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Both Selectman Pierce and Selectman Jeffrey suggested the need to form and/or reactiviate a Recycling Committee to spearhead the effort in Marion.

"Perhaps we could express a need for people to come forward and (work on) recycling issues," Selectman Pierce said.



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In other matters, Ms. Enroth-Whitlock:

• Noted the Sewer Expansion Subcommittee is almost ready to make a recommendation to enter a contract for sewer expansion in the so-called "Berry Patch" neighborhoods. The work is likely to begin on or before October 2003 to meet DEP deadlines for SRF funding.

• Suggested the board reschedule a planned meeting with state legislators to a later date due to their inability to attend this week. "I think it's important to start a dialogue," Selectman Pierce agreed.

• Noted the Fiscal Year 2004 Budget Process has commenced and department heads are being told to expect another tight year and to level fund as much as

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• Noted the planned Landfill Capping Meeting is slated for Thursday, November 21.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:12 pm.

Sports Shorts

By Kristen Ward

The **Old Rochester Regional High School Girls Varsity Field Hockey** team ended its season with a big win. The undefeated Dighton-Rehoboth fell to the ORR girls, 1-0. The team ended up with a 2-9-3 record in the SouthCoast Conference. Many hard-fought games were lost in the closing minutes. Seniors **Colleen Short**, **Kate Haley**, **Kate Hansen**, **Alie Ailggus**, **Dena Rubnis**, **Ali Noran**, and **Caitlyn O'Brien** will be missed.

The **ORR Junior Varsity Field Hockey** team finished their season with a 11-2-6 record. Goal scorers for the team were: **Kylie Goettlich** with 8 goals, **Abby Martin** with 7 goals, **Shaina Case** and **Aimee Loranger** with 3 goals each, **Kerrin Souza** and **Ashley Nye** with 2 goals, and **Amber Roderick**, **Nicole Franklin**, **Allison Lefebre** and **Taylor Bacchiocci** each scoring one goal. **Jocelyn Hotte** played very strong defense. **Kerrin Souza**, **Taylor Bacciocchi**, **Ashley Nye** and **Jill Souza** played great midfield, keeping the ball away from the net. **Jen Ferreira** did a fine job in the net. **Ali Jochim**, **Nina Caplan**



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and **Lauren Brillian** played very well on the forward line. **Kate Schermerhorn** and **Sarah Surprenant** also did a terrific job as inners.

Mattapoisett Basketball

Following are the **Mattapoisett Recreation Basketball** standings as of November 18, 2002. For more information, please visit **www.mattapoisettrec.net.**

• **Seventh and Eighth Grade Girls** – MacDonald (8-0); Almeida (7-2); Santos (4-3); Halligan (4-5); Labossiere (3-5); Houston (3-5); Brewster (2-6); Garro (1-6).

• **Seventh and Eighth Grade Boys** – Lawrence (7-0); Amaral (7-1); Caplan (6-2); McCartin (3-4); Rousseau (3-5); Harding (3-7); Lanagan (2-6); Bissonette (1-7).

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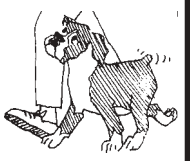
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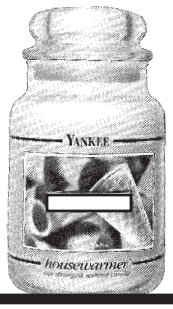
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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

It seems the thing to do these days is to express opinions, make statements and generally become involved with what has become a "hot potato" in our town — the matter of the Bay Club — and I dislike the word development. Perhaps "compound" fits a little more definitively.

I first came to Mattapoisett in 1952, when I married Norman Gingrass, who was born and reared here. The fact that I married a "townie" doesn't make me any less of an outsider, something with which I have come to terms. The fact that all four of our children were baptized in St. Anthony's Church, that the funerals of both of our sons and Norman took place in that same church with burial in its cemetary says that I am most firmly attached to this town, and want only those things which are of the greatest benefit to all its residents.

I truly believe those interests are best addressed in the meticulous plans which have been presented by the board members of the Bay Club for the development of a "community within a community" — not segregated from the town, but geared to a certain style of living within Mattapoisett. The thought of living in a million-dollar home surrounded by others of like value in the midst of a pristine golf course and an equestrian center, a club house serving gourmet food in an elegant dining atmosphere, and a health spa complete with

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If I can be objective about this next phase, could I honestly think that Floyd Tinkham (bless him — he and Donald Chase built a house for Norman and me in Falmouth when we both worked at the Oceanographic) — would he refuse to allow a substitution of his gift to the town for another larger and more desirable property, which gift would retain the name of the original donor? I think not — I think he would welcome that type of generosity with wholehearted approval. And this is Bottom Line #2.

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Lastly, as an added incentive — and I truly believe with altruistic motives — the McIntire/Mahoney family has offered the town 20 acres which is adjacent to Well #2, which could supplement the town's water supply if needed (and have you noticed — the town is growing surprisingly fast). And another 25-acre parcel has been put on the table, to be included, in the Aucoot Cove section. All in all, 108 acres for a 20-acre plot — you know, I've been an investor all my adult life, and I would have given a great deal to have that kind of "plum" put on my plate.

Before I put the bottom line on this one, here's a really novel thought. We have been made an extraordinary offer — first, by the McIntires and Mahoneys, who I hear being accused of making this offer out of greed to insure the Bay Club will go forward (and go forward it will, even without this exchange). If I were in the same financial and property category as those families, I would consider it an honor and an obligation to attempt to repay the town for what it has given to me in this century and the last. "What's in it for me?" is another opinion I hear expressed. Well, what's in it for me is self respect and gratitude for the chance to "payback." It is not beyond the realm of possibility that the people who make this offer do so for the

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In short, there are more pluses than minuses if we begin to believe at some point in the basic goodness of our townspeople — rich or poor, young or old, "townie" or "import." Of course the Bay Club people will make a profit — I was in administration for 48 years, and I never met anyone who was in business for the fun of it. And yes, there will be a tax advantage to the Mclntire family for gifting the land, but truly that is small potatoes in relation to what the town is getting. And consider for a minute the "minus" — land sold and cut up into relatively small house lots, most probably in need of school services, road services — in short, much more from the town that will be needed under the development plan outlined by the Bay Club people.

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Officers Small and Kemett and Deputy Sheriff Jepson are truly dedicated law enforcement professionals. It is clear to me that their primary mission is to maintain the highest possible level of public safety in our community. I would like to publicly thank these three officers for their hard work and dedication in what I know can frequently be a thankless job.

Sincerely,
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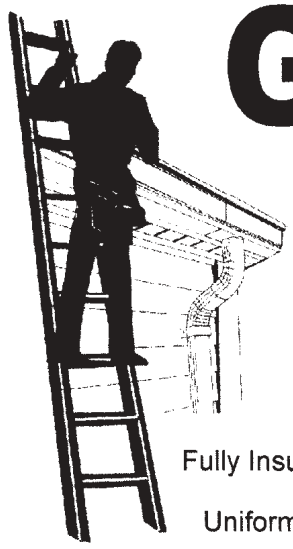
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• November 24 – ORR Junior High School Thanksgiving Dinner;
• November 25 – Aerobics; Garden Club; SHINE;
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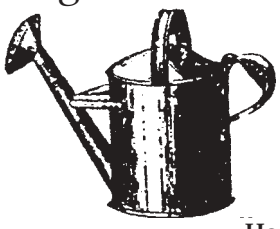
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ORR Thanksgiving Dinner

On November 24 there will be a Turkey Dinner at ORR Junior High School. Tickets are available on a first come, first-served basis, transportation is available, and meals can be delivered. Please call the COA office for more information at 508-758-4110.

Wreath Making

A special Wreath Making Class will take place on December 6 to make a Christmas wreath. Please call 508-758-4110 for transportation.

LaSalette Trip

A trip to LaSalette Shrine is being planned for December. If you are interested in going, please call 508-758-4110.

Christmas Party

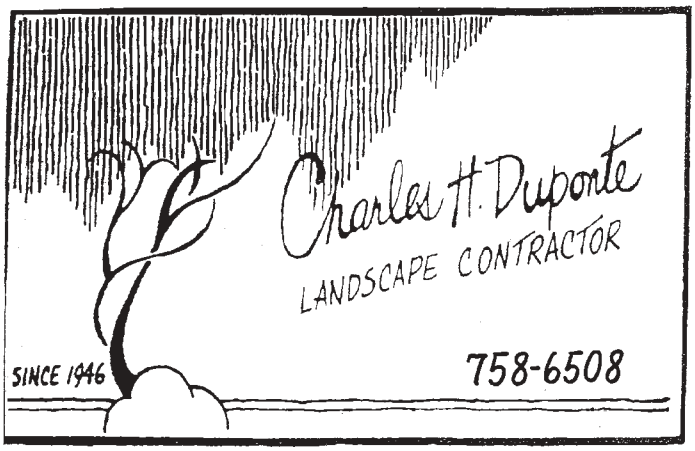
On November 25, tickets will be available for the Friends of the Elderly's Christmas Party at the Knights of Columbus. You need to have a ticket for this event and they can be picked up at the Senior Center.

Line Dancing

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ORR Grant Awarded

The Old Rochester Regional School District is the recipient of a $12,500 Community Service Learning grant through Learn and Serve America and the Massachusetts Department of Education. The purpose of these federal Learn and Serve America funds are to support the development of service-learning opportunities for students in the district, use of service-learning as a methodology for implementing the Massachusetts Curriculum Frame-

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works, and institutionalization of service-learning district-wide. This is the second year of a two year continuation grant awarded to Old Rochester, and the sixth year the district has received funding through the Department of Education to promote service learning.

Aside from providing professional development opportunities, the grant provides incentives for teachers to integrate service into their curriculums through a mini-grant program that provides stipends to teachers for time out of the classroom developing service-learning curriculum, working with community partners, transportation and materials. In addition, the program encourages students to do service outside of school hours and awards students for exemplary service with the Presidents Student Service Award.

Since its inception, the Old Rochester Community Service Learning Program has worked closely with the Wareham and Fairhaven Public Schools and the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth to form a South Coast Community Service Learning Leadership Council that meets monthly at the University's Dartmouth campus. Anyone interested in learning more about the program can contact Kathy Marx, CSL Coordinator, ORR High School, at 508-758-3745.

ORR Parent Logo Contest

The ORR Parent Association (ORRPA) is sponsoring a contest to design a logo for their association. Use

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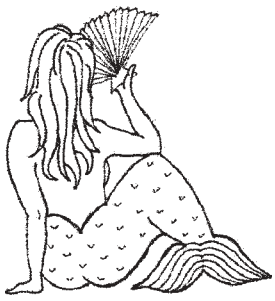
"The purpose of the Old Rochester Regional Parent Association is to assist the school in providing the best possible academic, extracurricular and social experience for all ORR students. We are dedicated to:

"Strengthening the ties and communication between home, school and the community;

"Providing direct assist and mechanisms for parents and community members to aid the students, teachers and administration; and

"Providing support groups and networking opportunities for parents."

The winning entry will receive a $100 cash prize. The deadline for entries is **Wednesday, December 4, 2002**. Entry forms are available from any junior or senior high school Art Teacher, or they can be obtained from any building principal. Be sure to include your name, address,



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Rochester Library Open House

Join the Friends of the Plumb Memorial Library for their Annual Holiday Open House on Sunday, December 8, 2002 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. At the event, you can view the first annual Holiday Tree Decorating Event, on display at the town common. Trees will be lit at 5:00 pm and you can vote for your favorite tree! Other opportunities will include: purchase gifts, holiday ornaments, and items from the Rochester Gift Shop; baked goods will be on sale and refreshments will be served; pick up pre-ordered holiday wreaths and plants; meet the library staff, trustees and friends of the library; and get in the holiday mood!

The Friends of the Plumb Library are again sponsoring a Holiday Plant Sale of wreaths, poinsettias, and Christmas cactus. Purchase your holiday plants from the Friends and support library programs and services. Fill out the order form available at the Plumb Library and return it with payment by Wednesday, November 27 at 12:00 noon. Wreaths and plants may be picked up at the

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Rochester Holiday House

The Friends of the Plumb Memorial Library in Rochester will be holding their Holiday Open House on Sunday, December 8, 2002 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. They will be accepting donations of baked goods and hand-crafted items to sell at the Open House. Hand-crafted items may be dropped off at the library anytime during regular library hours through December 7, 2002. Baked goods should be brought to the library on Saturday, December 7 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm or on Sunday, December 8 between 1:00 and 5:00 pm. For more information, please call the library at 508-763-8600.

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they are. These trees need you to care as well, which means taking action to conserve them. And one way you can lend a hand is by taking part in the town's recycling program.

In Mattapoisett, residents can recycle at home using the blue bin. You can help a tree by recycling newspapers and magazines in addition to other items including #1 and #2 plastic containers, metal cans, tin foil, cooking tins, and clear, green and brown glass. Recycling bins are collected every other week on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Please call the Mattapoisett Board of Health at 508-758-4112 for the collection schedule in your area.

Recycling newspapers and magazines will save trees. The collected material is turned into pulp, a mixture of water and recycled paper products, which is used to make paper. Non-recycled paper, on the other hand, is made from trees. It is important to conserve our trees because they absorb carbon dioxide, which accumulates in the atmosphere. According to many scientists, this increases the effects of global warming. Recycling leaves more trees to absorb carbon dioxide and they beautify our country. If you would like to obtain a recycling bin, please all the Mattapoisett Board of Health.

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In light of this the joint congregations of Marion (Community Baptist, First Congregational, St. Gabriel's Episcopal, St. Rita's Roman Catholic, South Coast Community and United Methodist) would like to invite you to a special Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 24. It will be held at St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church, 124 Front Street in Marion. Gary Taylor, Pastor of South Coast Community Church, will be giving the message. The service will begin at 4:00 pm and immediately following there will be a reception with refreshments in the church's fellowship hall.

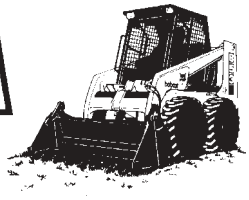
David Horne will direct an all-churches choir and there will be a rehearsal for anyone interested at 3:00 pm on the November 24. A special offering will be taken and given to help defray expenses incurred by the Allen family of Marion due to last summer's automobile accident. Donations of non-perishable food items will also be collected and distributed to the various food pantries in the area. Remember: Thanksgiving is about *thanks* and also about *giving*.

If you haven't been to church in a while why not take this opportunity to learn something about all of the different churches in town? They'd love to see you there.

Rochester Flu Clinic

The Rochester Public Health Nurse, Laura Ribeiro, RN, is available on Thursday from 9:00 am to 10:00 am at the Town Hall to provide blood pressure screening, health and nutrition education. A General Flu Vaccine for Rochester residents will be held on Wednesday, November 27 from 4:30 to 6:00 pm at the Town Hall Conference Room. If you have any concerns about receiving the flu vaccine, please contact your primary care

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PTA Pizza Night

The Mattapoisett Parents-Teachers Association (PTA) will be sponsoring another Family Fun Pizza Night at Nick's Homemade Pizza on Route 6 right here in Mattapoisett. Treat yourself to a "no cook" night on Tuesday, December 3 from 4:00 to 9:00 pm. The full menu is also included in this fund-raiser and take-out orders count, too! The Mattapoisett PTA thanks you for supporting the local schools.

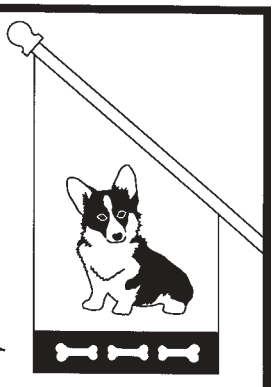
By the way, if the ORR Bulldogs finish with a winning season, the play-offs are also on December 3. Be sure to get your dinner before the big game!

ORR Thanksgiving Dinner

The Annual Thanksgiving Dinner for senior citizens, sponsored by the eighth graders at ORR Junior High School, will be held on Sunday, November 24 at 11:30 am (doors open at 11:00 am). There will be 300

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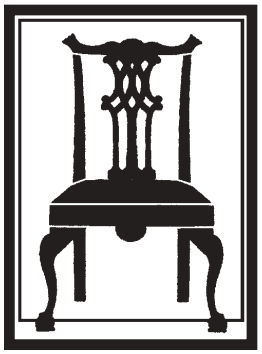
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Rochester COA Show

The Rochester Council on Aging (COA) will sponsor a Special Art and Craft Show with demonstrations and exhibits on December 14 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Demonstrations will start at 11:00 am. The show will be held at the new Senior Center on Dexter's Lane in

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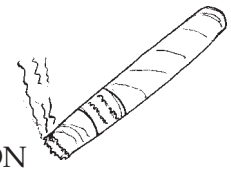
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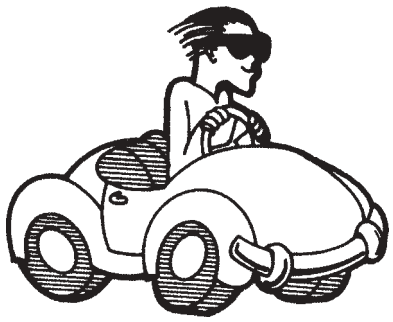


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Driver Education Class

Enrollment for the next Driver Education Class at Old Rochester Regional High School is now taking place. Due to a change in state law, a student must be at least 16 years of age on or before November 25 in order to enroll in the class. Students from ORR will be given first available seats as the program is a school-sponsored program.

Please call the high school for further information. Registration period ends Friday, November 22, 2002. The class will be scheduled to begin on Monday, November 25, 2002. The classes will be held on Monday and Tuesday at Old Rochester Regional High School in the new cafeteria, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, and run for seven weeks.

Class charge for residents is $35. Driving hours for residents is $112. The class and driving hour charge for non-residents of the district is $166. Only cash, bank checks, or money orders will be accepted as payment. No personal checks will be accepted. Summer residents will be considered residents of the district.

Marion Holiday Tour

The Sippican Woman's Club, a non-profit organization, presents area homes during the holiday season as a major fund-raising tool for scholarship awards to Marion students seeking higher educational opportunities.

The Sippican Woman's Club invites area residents to enjoy "A Cranberry Affair" selection of six homes decorated in holiday finery for this, the sixteenth Annual Holiday House Tour. Proceeds from last year's successful tour funded $10,000 in scholarship awards for area students seeking higher education.

"A Cranberry Affair" Holiday House Tour takes place on Saturday, December 14, 2002 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm in Marion, beginning at the Handy's Tavern club location at 152 Front Street. House Tour tickets, designed and executed by Judith Carver and Eloise Unbekant, are available for $13, pre-tour, through club members and at the following local businesses: Isabelle's, The General Store, and The Bookstall in Marion; and at The Barefoot Contessa and Sharon Bassett Antiques at the Ropewalk Mall in Mattapoisett. Day of tour tickets can be purchased for $16 at Coldwell Banker Real Estate on Front Street in

Marion and at St. Gabriel's Church Library on South Street.

This year, cranberry-inspired decorations will be provided by the thoughtful artistry of local florist, Lisa Wright of A Flower Works, Dorothy Temple, former White House floral designer, and proprietor of The Bashful Mermaid, and Gina Boone of Marion. Club members Eloise Unbekant, Judith Carver, Eileen Merlino, Julie Schworm, Adrienne Noble, Lissa Magauran, Ruth Bolton, Lu Chevrier, Peggy Anderson, Barbara Murphy, and Jane-Lee Betts, will work under the guidance of Madeline Cooke of Ashwell Stenciling, to transform the clubhouse into a cranberry-inspired delight. The exterior of Handy's Tavern, the Sippican Woman's Club location, will be decorated by Julie Schworm, club president, and volunteer Bobbie Lingard.

Coordinated by Karen Herington and Ellen Keogh, club members Corinne Allard, Linda Elliott, Judy Kilroy, Lissa Magauran, Mary Jane Wheeler, and Adrienne Noble, will act as hostesses in the homes, providing pertinent information to visitors about the special characteristics of each home.

The Sippican Woman's Club acknowledges, with thanks, the help and support of the community, visitors and homeowners who all help to make this event a success.

Christmas Fair in Mattapoisett

Please come join St. Anthony's Parish in Mattapoisett for a festive beginning to the Christmas season at the 37th Annual Christmas Fair which will take place on Saturday, December 7 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. They will be serving breakfast from 9:00 to 11:00 am. Homemade malassadas, coffee and orange juice will be on the menu. Lunch will be served at 11:00 am, 11:45 am, and 12:30 pm and will feature French meat pies, mashed potatoes, and a vegetable plus a spectacular dessert. Hot dogs and linguiça sandwiches will also be available. As always, baked goods and candy will be much sought after items — be sure to stock up.

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Jazz Singer in Marion

On Monday, December 2, famed New England jazz singer Rebecca Parris will give a concert from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at Sippican School in Marion to benefit the Old Rochester Regional High School Jazz Band. Ms. Parris will be performing many of the songs that have made her a favorite artist throughout the United States plus material from her latest CD, *The Secret Of Christmas.* One of the songs on the CD is an original composition of Ms. Parris and ORR Band Director Stan Ellis titled "Cape Cod Christmas."

Rebecca, who came in fourth place in the *Jazz Times* Magazine jazz vocalists' poll, has given a benefit for many members of this band before. In 1997 the Old Hammondtown Jazz Band took a trip to Washington, DC to perform at the Kennedy Center and Ms. Parris gave a concert at Old Hammondtown to raise money for the trip. The ORR Jazz Band will again be taking a trip to Washington in March to compete in a jazz competition and funds are needed for fees and a bus.

ORR Jazz Band Director Stan Ellis and Rebecca Parris have been friends since the 1980s when Mr. Ellis occasionally played drums and wrote songs for her. "Rebecca, being a teacher herself, is always willing to help out," Mr. Ellis said. "It's wonderful to have one of the best jazz singers come down and give a benefit concert for you and I hope that everyone will come out and see her and help out our award-winning band."

Tickets for this event will be a donation of $12 for adults, $6 for sixth grade students and under. Tickets may be purchased at Lloyd's Market in Rochester, the Marion General Store in Marion, Seaport Ice Cream Shop and the Shipyard Galley in Mattapoisett, and the Symphony Music Shop in Dartmouth. You may also call Band Director Stan Ellis at 508-758-9226.

"I would get your tickets early for this very special evening because they will go fast," Mr. Ellis said.

Mattapoisett Friends Fundraiser

The Mattapoisett Friends Meeting House will be holding an Omelet Fundraiser for Heifer Project International on Saturday, November 30 from 8:00 to 11:00 pm. Tickets are $5 with $1 off for children under 12. For more information or to reserve tickets, please call 508-748-0098, or go online to http://home.attbi.com/~mattapoisettquakers/.

Proceeds will be sent to Heifer Project International (HPI), an organization that works for the dignity and well-being of all people by supplying training and appropriate livestock for the local economy. More information about HPI's programs and sponsorship opportunities will be available at the fundraiser.

ORR AFS Fruit Sale

The Old Rochester Regional High School Parent Chapter of the American Field Service (AFS) will be holding its annual Citrus Sale now through November 26, 2002. Money raised by this fund-raiser go toward sending tri-town area students abroad to experience other cultures. While studying in foreign countries they learn to understand and appreciate the differences between the U.S. and other people and their customs. Within the past year, three students from ORR have spent varying amounts of time in Italy, China and Germany. Through public support of fund-raisers such as this, the parent club was able to help them achieve their goals.

This year a wide variety of freshly picked and shipped fruit is being offered. Delivery will be the week of December 16, just in time for holiday gift-giving. Parcel orders are also available. Orders will be accepted through Tuesday, November 26, 2002. For information and to place an order, please contact Leigh Hemingway at 508-758-3591 before 5:00 pm, or Sue Creeden at 508-748-0592 after 5:00 pm.

Candy Cane Fair

The Mattapoisett Lions Club will be hosting its Sixth Annual Children's Candy Cane Fair on Saturday, December 7 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm at the Congregational Church Hall in Mattapoisett. Admission is FREE. Santa is expected to arrive from the North Pole with gifts at 2:00 pm. Kids will enjoy winning prizes at the numerous games and amusements supervised by Lions Club members. Also, refreshments will be served to the children.

Based on the success of previous candy cane fairs, children, as well as their parents, are expected to come and have a good time in celebrating the holiday season.

Please bring a *wrapped* gift, marked "boy, girl or either" with the appropriate age of the child. These gifts will be collected at the door. The Lions Club will distribute these gifts to the needy children of Mattapoisett in time for Christmas. *Calling all children ... come one, come all!*

North Rochester Congregational

The friendly people of the "Old" North Rochester Congregational Church invite you to come worship with them every Sunday at 10:00 am. Music is provided by organist Denise Wright. On the second Sunday of each month the guest speaker is Chaplain E.W. "Bud" Holland, CDR, USN (Retired). Following his service, you are invited to join the congregation for brunch. For more information, please call 508-763-8838.

On Monday and Thursday, 5:00 to 6:00 pm, Youth Karate Classes are held at the church. Please call 1-800-730-7603 for more information.

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annual Speech Contest in which all Massachusetts Lions Clubs are invilted to participate. The Mattapoisett Lions sponsor a club contest and encourage students of Old Colony Regional Voke, Old Rochester Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, and Tabor Academy to participate.

Students of Bishop Stang and Tabor recently participated in this year's competition. Eleven students wrote manuscripts on the assigned topic, "How Secure Do You Feel?" They then made their presentations verbally before the membership and guests of the Mattapoisett Club. Their presentations were then judged.

First prize was awarded to **Garrett Curron** of Tabor Academy; first runner-up was **Ameer Ameeri**; second runner-up was **Cullen Onstott**, both from Tabor.

Mr. Curron advanced to the next level of competition, Zone Level, on November 21, which will be held at the Council On Aging (COA) Center in Acushnet. This Zone Level is then followed by regional, district and state competitions.

Marion Art Center

Holiday Shop

Over forty artists and artisans will be participating the Marion Art Center's Holiday Shop this year. Both galleries will be transformed into a unique boutique for a month. Pottery, stained glass, jewelry, books, cards, sailor's valentines, wreaths, ornaments, furniture, musical instruments, clothing, purses, puppets, doll clothes, botanicals, fine art and sculpture will be included in the festive installation. Everything is one-of-a-kind and handmade.

The Holiday Shop will be open November 22 to December 21, Tuesday through Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm, and Saturdays, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. There will be several special events during this time. The Gala Opening and artists' reception will be on Friday November 29 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

On Saturday, November 30, the Marion Art Center is hosting two gingerbread house (or train) making workshops. All materials — gingerbread house or train, frosting, gumdrops, candy, etc. — will be provided by Holly Ostenberg, instructor. The workshop is limited to five, and children under six must be accompanied by an adult. The fee is $25, and reservations must be made in advance for either the 10:00 am or 12:00 noon workshop. Please call 508-748-1266.

In December the Young People's Theater classes will perform on December 3 and 6. Reservations are recommended for their production of *A Christmas Carol* on December 6 at 7:00 pm. The Children's Tea Party will have two seatings on Saturday, December 7 at 1:00 and 3:00 pm. Entertainment will be provided by Jackson Gillman whose skills as storyteller, singer and overall entertainer appeal to boys and girls, children and adults. The fee is $10 for MAC members, $12 general admission.

Reservations are required and can be made by calling 508-748-1266. Space is limited.

Two artists will be in residence on Saturday, December 14 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Carol Lebeaux returns to MAC with her tiny scissors and black paper to create old-fashioned silhouettes in minutes. She also brings mats and frames. This classic art form is a perfect gift. Elle Randall will also be at the center to render a fresh likeness in charcoal or pen and ink. Consider a portrait yourself, your children, grandchildren, even dogs and cats to keep or give as a present. Both artists will schedule reservations in advance, or people can stop in on their way along the Sippican Woman's Club House Tour.

Victorian Holiday in Fairhaven

The First Congregational Church of Fairhaven will sponsor a Victorian Holiday Celebration Event titled "Ye Olde Brick Church Faire" on Saturday, December 14, 2002 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at the church, 34 Center Street in Fairhaven. Crafters, a lobster roll luncheon, cranberries, cookies, cheese, Chinese Auctions, and much more will be included at the event. For more information, please call 508-993-3368.

Decemberfest in Acushnet

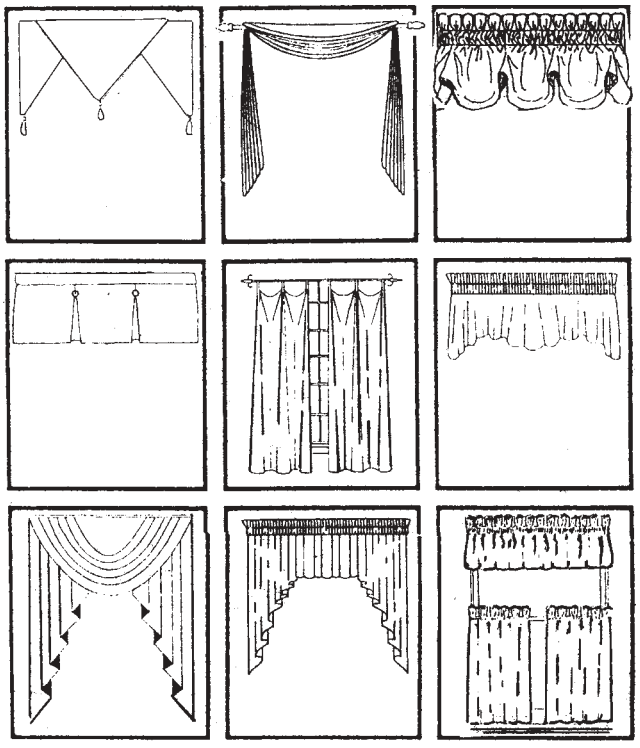
The Friends of the Acushnet Public Library will present Acushnet's "Decemberfest: A Holiday Sale" on Saturday, December 7 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The public can look forward to purchasing fresh floral arrangements, bundles of fresh greens for home decorating, decorated wreaths, baked goods and holiday ornaments. A Silent Auction featuring interesting gift baskets and gift certificates will also be part of the activities. Complimentary refreshments will also be available. The Holiday Sale will take place on the first floor meeting room of the library, located at 88 Main Street in Acushnet. All proceeds will benefit the Acushnet Public Library. For more information, please call Donna at 508-995-9272 or Charlotte at 508-995-0041.

Rochester Journal 4

Work has begun on the fourth volume of the *Rochester Journal*, a series of books that records personal and intimate views on the town of Rochester, MA, to be published by the Friends of the Plumb Memorial Library. They accept stories, poems, artwork, photographs, copies of old articles from newspapers or magazines, old advertisements, and anything else you can think of. If you don't feel comfortable writing the story yourself, get a friend or relative to tape you as you tell it to them and submit the tape to the publishers. They'll take your stories any way you can get them to them.

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Santa Breakfast in Fairhaven

Come join Santa for breakfast on Sunday, December 15 at Saint Joseph School, 100 Spring Street in Fairhaven. Breakfast will be served starting at 9:00 am until 12:30 pm. Breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, juice, muffins, milk and coffee. There will be a coloring contest that children can enter and holiday videos will be playing throughout the morning. Pictures with Santa will be available for $4, however if you bring in a nonperishable food item the picture will be $2. All food items will go to the Shepherd's Pantry (please keep in mind that Christmas is around the corner and there are many people in need). All children will be given a chance to speak to Santa! They will also have the Rudolph Holiday Shop open. Come shop for stocking stuffers or let the children do some Christmas shopping for family members.

Tickets are $5 for adults, $3 for children, and may be purchased at the school now through December 6. All proceeds from this breakfast will benefit the Saint Joseph School. For tickets or information, please call Cathy Melanson at 508-996-1983.

Friends of the Elderly

Christmas Party

The Friends will be hosting their Annual Christmas Party for Mattapoisett Seniors on December 12 at 12:00 noon at the Senior Center. Lunch will be served, entertainment will be enjoyed, and there will be many Christmas gifts to be had. Remember to get your tickets early. Cut-off date is December 9. Until then, why not take advantage of the games that are held every Wednesday afternoon. They also show movies every last Thursday of the month except for November and December because of the holidays. Also, on every second Tuesday people meet at the center to make small gifts to distribute to Mattapoisett seniors in area nursing homes. Everyone is welcome.

Dinner for Two

The Friends of the Elderly are selling the "Dine Out" books again this year. The price is the same: $29.95. You buy one dinner and get the second one free. This is a great way to try different restaurants in the area and at the same time help a worthy cause. The books can now be purchased at the Mattapoisett Senior Center or by calling Lorraine at 508-758-9780 for delivery. Remember, these books also make great Christmas gifts.

Rochester Council on Aging

Following is a schedule of upcoming events for November, 2002:

• Thursday, November 21 – Visiting Nurse (10:00 to 11:30 am); Thanksgiving Dinner at 5:00 pm at Memorial School;

• Saturday, November 23 – SERVE (10:00 to 11:30 am);
• Monday, November 25 – Computer Classes (10:00 to 11:00 am, no charge); Trip to Christmas Tree Shop in Hyannis (leave at 9:30 am);
• Tuesday, November 26 – Lunch at 11:45 am; AARP Meeting at 1:30 pm; Line Dancing (1:00 to 3:00 pm, $2 fee);
• Wednesday, November 27 – Shopping at 8:30 am;
• Thursday, November 28 – Thanksgiving (Office Closed).

Holly Fair in Marion

The Marion United Methodist Church will host a Holly Fair on Saturday, November 23 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm featuring home-baked goods, deocrations, greenery, and gifts with plenty from which to choose! A Holiday Luncheon will also be served from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm.

SouthCoast Community Church

Join the SouthCoast Community Church for a special Thanksgiving Celebration this weekend. As a nation and as a community we have many reasons to be thankful. Pastor Gary Taylor will be giving a message titled "Giving Thanks At Thanksgiving" and look at the four ways the Bible says we can give thanks to God. It seems that we're always asking God for something and He invites us to do just that. This week, though, they're going to place an emphasis on how we can express our appreciation for all of the incredible blessings we have because of Him.

The SouthCoast Community Church makes going to church a more comfortable experience for people who haven't been in a while. The atmosphere is casual — you can dress the way you want. The message is relevant — the Bible is applied to the pressing needs of life. The service is contemporary — the music, drama, and multi-media presentations inspire and encourage. The people are real — you don't have to have it all together. Regardless of where you are on your spiritual journey, they want to provide a place where you can explore Christianity at your own pace, where you can discover everything that a relationship with Christ can mean to your life. They meet at 10:00 am on Sunday mornings at Sippican School in Marion and have something for all ages. For more information and directions, please see their website at **www.southcoastcommunitychurch.org** or call Pastor Gary Taylor at 508-748-3200.

Passes at Marion Library

The Elizabeth Taber Library once again has free passes for the Museum of Fine Arts (MFA) in Boston. The passes admit two adults to the museum on a designated day, and may be reserved ahead of time for that particular day at the Circulation Desk, or by calling the library at 508-748-1252.

Under a new system instituted by the museum, patrons show the passes to gain entrance to the MFA, and

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Movie Review

Body Double

By Kenneth J. Souza
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Femme Fatale. **Starring Rebecca Romijn-Stamos and Antonio Banderas. Directed by Brian De Palma. Running time: 112 minutes. MPAA rating: R. At select theaters.**

In a refreshing return to form from recent big-blockbuster jobs-for-hire like *Mission: Impossible* and *Mission to Mars,* director Brian De Palma has once again delved into his Hitchcockian bag of tricks to cook up another "erotic thriller" — a poster-ready term which seems appropriate on the surface, but doesn't really do justice to a film like *Femme Fatale.* At times, it is both sexy and erotic; and it also boasts a couple of interesting thrills. But I'd liken it more to an elaborate puzzle, the pieces of which De Palma only allows the audience to glimpse until the final act. This is the De Palma of *Blow Out* and *Dressed to Kill,* gleefully guiding his audience through a faintly familiar murder mystery.

Of course, De Palma has — for better or worse — always been accused of cribbing Hitchcock, and although there are elements here of *To Catch A Thief* and *Marnie, Femme Fatale* is as close to an original De Palma creation as we're likely to get. But I suspect this time out he may have gotten a bit of inspiration from a more unlikely source: either Alejandro Amenábar's *Open Your Eyes* or Cameron Crowe's more recent remake *Vanilla Sky.*

In an impressive leading turn, Rebecca Romijn-Stamos plays Laure Ash, a savvy thief whose key skill seems to be her ability to use and abuse people. De Palma slyly opens the film with a reflection of the barely-dressed Laure glimpsed on a TV screen displaying the classic noir thriller *Double Indemnity,* immediately establishing that we are about to witness an intricate double-cross and meet a cold, calculating "femme fatale" on par with Barbara Stanwyck in the Billy Wilder classic. She's been hired to heist a gold snake top encrusted with jewels which is worn by a starlet to the Cannes Film Festival. The opening festival sequence (shot on location) is vintage De Palma, replete with split screens and people watching people, often done via security monitors. The scene is also as economical as they get, told almost solely through visuals with a minimum of dialogue.

Laure makes a swift getaway with the loot but is quickly tracked down by the team she double-crossed. Through a set of curious circumstances (which all serve to put De Palma's puzzle-box into motion), she winds up under the watchful eye of Nicolas (Banderas), a down-on-his-luck photographer who makes his living by selling snapshots of the famous and infamous to tabloid newspapers. He soon learns, however, that you can't easily blackmail a blackmailer, and he gets reluctantly dragged into Laure's web of deception. Banderas is equally up to the task in the understated "wrong man" part, and it's interesting to note this is a rare role-reversal for De Palma in which the woman victimizes the man.

As De Palma's first script outing since *Raising Cain,* the plot does get a bit clunky and confusing in the middle act, but all is forgiven as we witness an elaborate, slow-motion sequence at the end (for the second time, no less!) in which the "bad guys" finally get their just dessert. As a longtime De Palma fan, I saw the whole thing coming: the director has an odd penchant for impaling people with protruding metal objects. But knowing didn't dull my appreciation for the execution of the scene, either. The best De Palma films are always more about style, sound and fury (pun intended) than substance or plot mechanics, and *Femme Fatale* is no exception. Although this doesn't aspire to the level of *Carrie* or *Blow Out* (my pick as De Palma's greatest and most underrated achievement), it's on par with fun dabblings like *Body Double* and *Raising Cain.* Personally, I'll always take a derivative and stylish De Palma *homage* — Hitchcock or otherwise — over the hired "man on a mission," be it impossible or to Mars.

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Far From Heaven (PG-13) – 1:45, 4:10, 6:40, 9:15
Frida (R) – 1:25, 4:00, 6:45, 9:25
Punch-Drunk Love (R) – 1:55, 4:15, 6:50
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My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) – 2:00, 4:20, 6:55, 9:10

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Friday (November 22) - Tuesday (November 26)
8 Mile (R) – 12:05, 2:30, 4:10, 5:00, 7:35, 9:00, 9:55
Harry Potter/Chamber of Secrets (PG) – (Fri-Sun: 10:00, 11:00) 12:00, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 5:00, 6:30, 7:00, 8:30 (Fri-Sun: 10:00)
Half Past Dead (PG-13) – 1:05, 3:15, 5:30, 7:40, 9:50
My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) – 12:00, 2:05, 7:00
Santa Clause 2 (G) – (Fri-Sun: 10:10) 12:45, 3:00, 5:20, 7:30, 9:45
The Ring (PG-13) – (Fri-Sun: 10:30) 1:50, 4:25, 7:05, 9:30
Jackass: The Movie (R) – 1:20, 3:30, 5:35, 7:45, 9:40
The Emperor's Club (PG-13) – 12:10, 2:35, 5:10, 7:20, 9:40
Friday After Next (R) – (Fri-Sun: 10:15) 12:20, 2:20, 4:30, 7:05, 9:05
James Bond 007: Die Another Day (PG-13) – (Fri-Sun: 10:05) 1:00, 4:00, 7:10, 9:55

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Friday (November 22) - Tuesday (November 26)
8 Mile (PG-13) – 12:30, 1:00, 3:15, 4:00, 6:45, 8:10
Santa Clause 2 (PG) – 12:30, 1:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30
Jackass: The Movie (R) – 2:20, 4:40, 7:40
Harry Potter/Chamber of Secrets (PG) – 11:15, 11:45, 12:15, 2:30, 3:15, 4:00, 6:15, 7:00, 7:40
Half Past Dead (PG-13) – 1:50, 4:20, 7:20
I Spy (PG-13) – 4:10, 7:50
Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13) – 2:10, 4:30, 7:50
My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) – 2:20, 4:40, 7:25
The Ring (PG-13) – 2:10, 4:30, 8:00
James Bond 007: Die Another Day (PG-13) – *Please call for showtimes.*

they must turn in the passes at the museum on the specified day. The passes are good for that day only.

Patrons should also note that the passes are good for general admission, but not for special exhibits at the MFA. Special exhibit tickets must be reserved or purchased through the MFA.

These free passes to one of the finest art museums in the world are available to Elizabeth Taber Library patrons only because of the generosity of Marion Library Association members. For further information, please call (508-748-1252) or stop by the library in Marion.

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Dinner for Two Dining Books are now available at the Plumb Memorial Library in Rochester. The dining and entertainment coupon books sell for $29.95 and provide discounted dining opportunities at over 100 area restaurants and attractions. Each book contains over $1,500 worth of free dining, plays, concerts, and cruises. Proceeds from the sale of the books benefit the Friends of the Plumb Library, and go towards enhancing library programs and services. *Dinner for Two* books make a great gift for friends and family members. They may be purchased at the library during regular library hours.

Cans and Bottles for Bands

The Old Hammondtown Concert and Jazz Bands continue to welcome donations of clean cans and bottles. Cans and bottles can be dropped off at the OHS parking lot between 9:00 and 10:00 am every Saturday. This year the OHS Concert Band has the unique opportunity to have composer Sean O'Loughlin write a special piece for the band. Donations have helped fund this exciting experience for the children. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Fairhaven Victorian Holiday

The second weekend in December is the time to visit Fairhaven if you want to feel a sense of old-time holiday spirit as the town celebrates its fifth annual Very Victorian Holiday. On December 13, 14 and 15, about a dozen special events are scheduled in areas all over the

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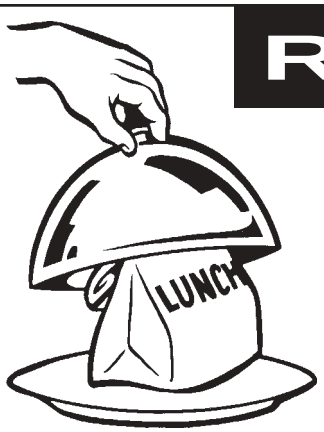
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Regional Lunch Menus



• ACUSHNET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday, November 25 – American chop suey, turkey sandwich, peas, fresh fruit, milk.

Tuesday, November 26 – Bacon beef burger, bologna sandwich, potato puffs, mixed vegetables, fresh fruit, milk.

Wednesday, November 27 – Meatball sandwich, ham sandwich, buttered pasta, carrots, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday, November 28 – THANKSGIVING (no school).

Friday, November 29 – THANKSGIVING RECESS (no school).

• COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, November 25 – Stuffed peppers, Spanish rice, oatmeal bread, lemon pudding, fresh fruit.

Tuesday, November 26 – Chicken noodle soup, chicken piccata with lemon sauce, fall vegetable blend, club roll, fresh fruit.

Wednesday, November 27 – Breaded pork chops with apple gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, cookie, graham wafer.

Thursday, November 28 – THANKSGIVING (no meals served).

Friday, November 29 – Braised beef noodle casserole, Harvard beets, rye bread, fruit in light syrup.

• CENTER SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, November 25 – Chicken parmesan, French fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, November 26 – Assorted pizza, chicken salad roll, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, November 27 – HALF DAY: Bagels and muffins served.

Thursday, November 28 – THANKSGIVING (no school).

Friday, November 29 – THANKSGIVING RECESS (no school).

• FAIRHAVEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday, November 25 – Popcorn chicken with sauces, hot dog on a roll, mac rib sub, oven fries, corn niblets, chilled peaches, chilled pineapple.

Tuesday, November 26 – Hearty chicken gumbo soup, grilled cheese sandwich, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken patty club, shoestring fries, chilled pears, chocolate chip cookie.

Wednesday, November 27 – EARLY RELEASE: No lunch served.

Thursday, November 28 – THANKSGIVING (no school).

Friday, November 29 – THANKSGIVING RECESS (no school).

• HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL, FAIRHAVEN

Monday, November 25 – Popcorn chicken with sauces, hot dog on a roll, mac rib sub, oven fries, corn niblets, chilled peaches, chilled pineapple.

Tuesday, November 26 – Hearty chicken gumbo soup, grilled cheese sandwich, hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken patty club, shoestring fries, chilled pears, chocolate chip cookie.

Wednesday, November 27 – EARLY RELEASE: No lunch served.

Thursday, November 28 – THANKSGIVING (no school).

Friday, November 29 – THANKSGIVING RECESS (no school).

• MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, November 25 – Chicken parmesan, French fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, November 26 – Assorted pizza, chicken salad roll, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, November 27 – HALF DAY: Bagels and muffins served.

Thursday, November 28 – THANKSGIVING (no school).

Friday, November 29 – THANKSGIVING RECESS (no school).

• OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, November 25 – Chicken patty, potato puffs, carrots, peaches, peanut butter macaroon.

Tuesday, November 26 – Soup, rib-a-que sandwich, hot pocket, French fries, green beans, chocolate cake.

Wednesday, November 27 – THANKSGIVING RECESS (no school).

Thursday, November 28 – THANKSGIVING (no school).

Friday, November 29 – THANKSGIVING RECESS (no school).

• OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL, MATTAPOISETT

Monday, November 25 – Chicken parmesan, French fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, November 26 – Assorted pizza, chicken salad roll, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, November 27 – HALF DAY: Bagels and muffins served.

Thursday, November 28 – THANKSGIVING (no school).

Friday, November 29 – THANKSGIVING RECESS (no school).

• SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

Monday, November 25 – Chicken parmesan, French fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, November 26 – Assorted pizza, chicken salad roll, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, November 27 – HALF DAY: Bagels and muffins served.

Thursday, November 28 – THANKSGIVING (no school).

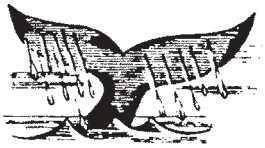
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town. From holiday marketplaces to holiday sing-alongs, a breakfast with Santa, luncheons and a dinner, there will be many ways to enjoy the seaon of good cheer. Activities for children include holiday craft making and many chances for photographs with Santa or Father Christmas.

The activities begin on the evening of Friday, December 13 at 6:00 pm with caroling and the lighting of Benoit Square, junction of Howland Road and Main and Adams streets. The Oxford School Choir will be on hand and Santa will arrive on an antique fire truck to hand out treats. The lighting of the square is sponsored by the North Fairhaven Improvement Association. The Benoit Square program will be immediately followed by the Oxford Scliool's Santa's Workshop, 347 Main Street, beginning at approximately 7:00 pm. There will be children's activities including cookie decorating, ornament making and face-painting, small holiday gifts for sale and a visit from Santa. Hot chocolate, soda and popcorn will also be available. The fair is sponsored by the Oxford School PTA.

A full day of events from morning 'til night are scheduled for Saturday, December 14 among the Henry Huttleston Rogers buildings and churches in the center of town. A Santa's Workshop and breakfast will be held at Rogers School, 100 Pleasant Street, from 9:00 to 11:30 am. Breakfast Items will be served and children can make holiday crafts. There will also be photographs taken with Santa.The Santa's Workshop is sponsored by the Rogers

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Inner Views

Telephone Line

By Kenneth J. Souza
news@wanderer.com

What began as a simple annoyance has now become a daily intrusion — a veritable thorn in my side of late. I'm sure you can relate. You're embroiled in writing an important e-mail to someone ... surfing the 'net for the latest new DVD releases ... or simply writing a magnum opus like the one you're now reading when the telephone rudely clangs in your left ear.

You want to ignore it, but you can't resist picking it up on the third ring.

"Hello?"

What follows is usually a voice with a decidedly *un*-New England accent, often preceded by a hesitant moment of humming silence — both tell-tale signs that you may have been entangled in the net randomly cast by the dreaded *telemarketer!*

"Hello, is this Kenneth Sow-zaa?"

Your initial fears have been confirmed. No one within a quahog's throw of the 508 exchange would ever pronounce a fine Irish name like *Souza* in such a manner.

Sometimes I'll play along, if only to see what my new best friend on the other end of the line is offering to change my life forever. Nine times out of ten, it's a "chance" at winning some "big prize," or to tell me that I'm "qualified" to embark on a "free trip" — I only need to give them my credit card number for "verification purposes" ... and to charge all the necessary "processing fees."

Other times I'll employ one of my two favorite comebacks, depending on the type of solicitation. The first, I freely confess, is stolen from an episode of *Seinfeld.* Just ask Mr. or Ms. Telemarketer for his or her home phone number to call them back, and when they decline or say "I can't be bothered at home," tell them: "Now you know how I feel!"

Of course, *telephone service providers* are among the worst offenders — and they often call several times in one day! I've found this works best: *tell them you don't have any phones*. The sharper ones will catch on right away, but I actually once made a guy pause for a long while before he finally asked what I was talking to him on.

Thankfully, there may finally be some light at the end of the long, never-ending telemarketing tunnel thanks to the efforts of **State Representative William Straus (D-Mattapoisett)**, who sponsored Chapter 265 of the Acts of 2002, "An Act Regulating Telemarketing Solicitation," which was recently passed by the legislature and serves to establish a new "Do Not Call" registry with the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation. Between January 1 and late March 2003, consumers can begin signing up for the initial list via a toll-free number (to be announced) or online at **www.mass.gov/donotcall**.

Once the registry is established, telemarketers will be prohibited from calling residents whose names and phone numbers appear on the list and will be subject to prosecution by the Consumer Affairs office. The penalty for violators are fines of up to $5,000 per offense. Those who sign up for the initial list can expect to receive fewer telemarketing calls beginning in April 2003. An updated list will also be published quarterly with newly-added names and phone numbers.

Among the key protections for Massachusetts consumers under the new law: telephone solicitations cannot be made between 8:00 pm and 8:00 am (even for those *not* on the "Do Not Call" list); soliciting facsimile transmissions (faxes) cannot be made at any time; telephone solicitations using recorded message devices cannot be made; telemarketers cannot use blocking devices to stop an individual's caller-identification device; and telemarketers must disclose, within the first minute of the sales call, identifying information including the sales purpose of the call and the name of the telemarketer and ultimate seller.

Representative Straus said the idea originated with his father-in-law. "I was visiting him in Florida, and he told me they had (similar legislation)," he said. "The one advantage we have over Florida is ours is free. (They) charge $5 or $10 per year to administer the list. The feeling here was people shouldn't have to pay to be left alone."

Since his father-in-law signed up for a similar "no call" list in Florida, he's noticed a drastic reduction in the number of telemarketing calls, and when he has received occasional calls he's immediately filed a complaint. "He's been very happy with it," Representative Straus said.

Realistically, I don't think anyone could or should expect these bothersome calls — or e-mails or junk mail — to cease overnight or all phones throughout the Commonwealth to fall silent at the stroke of midnight on April 1, 2003. After all, there are still countless ways of getting consumers to volunteer their personal information (people should be wary of inviting solicitations by giving up your telephone number and address to the Radio Shack clerk just so you can buy batteries, for example). But Representative Straus deserves kudos for his aggressive attempt to fix a problem that has long been spinning out of control and has turned accessories like answering machines and caller ID boxes into household necessities.

"I want to be the first to sign up," Representative Straus said.

In that case, I guess I can settle for the second and third slots on the list — one for "Souza" and one for "Sow-zaa."

School PTO.

A Holiday Marketplace will take place at the Unitarian Memorial Church, 102 Green Street. Local artists and crafters will set up display booths offering a unique collection of holiday goods. Refreshments will be available. Admission to the marketplace is free. It runs from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, during which time the sanctuary of this magnificent English gothic style "cathedral" will be open for guided tours.

The Town Hall Shops at Town Hall, 40 Center Street, will be the location where local non-profit and church groups will sell crafts, holiday ornaments, baked goods and other items. The Town Hall will be open from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Groups selling goods include the Church of the Good Shepherd, Oxford School PTA, Fairhaven/New Bedford-Tosashimizu Sister City Committee, Fairhaven Association for Music Education (FAME), the George H. Taber Lodge, Fairhaven/Mattapoisett Kiwanis Club, Student Assistance Committee of the Unitarian Memorial Church, the Fairhaven Improvement Association, FHS Class of 2004 and Boy Scout Troop 52/Cub Pack 52 of St. Mary's Church.

Fairhaven music students will be presenting musical performances from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, coordinated by music department chair Doreen Nelsen. New this year will be a group of artisans demonstrating old-time crafts and toys, organized by the Fairhaven Improvement Association. Admission is free. The Town Hall

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Local Police Logs



MARION

The following log excerpts are for the week of November 10 through November 16, 2002:

• Wareham Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Point Road – adult arrest (violation of prevention order)
• Mill Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
• Gifford's Corner Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Green Street – suspicious activity
• Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident/property damage
• Spring Street – adult arrest (warrant, default warrant: motor vehicle violations, assault and battery, resisting arrest)
• Route 195 West – motor vehicle accident/personal injury
• Front Street – animal complaint
• Mill Street – officer wanted
• Route 195 East – assist other police department
• Point Road – family offense
• Mill Street – suspicious motor vehicle
• South Street – animal complaint
• Park Street – parking violation
• Briggs Lane Court – larceny/past
• Pleasant Street – suspicious activity
• Front Street – suspicious activity
• County Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• County Road – animal complaint
• Kabeyun Road – larceny/past
• Riverview Lane – animal complaint
• Tabor Academy – suspicious activity
• Route 195 West – adult arrest (operating motor vehicle with suspended license, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, failure to stop for police)
• Wareham Road – civil complaint
• Pinewood Drive – animal complaint
• Holmes Street – death
• Route 105 – motor vehicle accident/personal injury
• Spring Street – suspicious motor vehicle
• Front Street – adult arrest (operating motor vehicle with suspended license)
• Spring Street – trespassing.

MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of November 10 through November 16, 2002:

• Antassawamock Road – domestic disturbance
• Wildwood Terrace – vandalism
• Mattapoisett Neck Road – animal control
• Mattapoisett Neck Road – property found
• Bayberry Lane – ATV/snowmobile complaint
• Hereford Hill Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• River Road – vandalism
• Eldorado Drive – vandalism
• Fairhaven Road – vandalism
• Main Street – vandalism
• Acushnet Road – unwanted person
• Route 195 West – adult arrest (warrant)
• County Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• County Road – property found
• Fairhaven Road – motor vehicle accident
• Oliver's Lane – property found
• Mattapoisett Town Landing – property lost
• Marion Road – motor vehicle accident
• Angelica Avenue – safety/road hazard
• Brandt Island Road – assist intoxicated party
• Wolf Island Road – safety/road hazard
• Wolf Island Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Barstow Street – vandalism
• Pine Island Road – suspicious persons
• Goodspeed Island – parking violation
• Ned's Point Road – property found
• Bayberry Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
• Acushnet Road – suspicious persons
• Fairhaven Road – motor vehicle accident
• Acushnet Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Marion Road – suspicious motor vehicle.

ROCHESTER

The following log excerpts are for the week of November 11 through November 18, 2002:

• North Avenue – suspicious motor vehicle
• Dexter Lane – officer wanted
• North Avenue – suspicious person
• Clapp Road – highway matter
• North Avenue – adult arrest (operating under the influence of liquor, motor vehicle lights violation)
• Robinson Road – vandalism
• Featherbed Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
• North Avenue – motor vehicle accident
• Marion Road – threats
• New Bedford Road – motor vehicle accident
• New Bedford Road – trespassing
• Rounseville Road – highway matter
• Snipatuit Road – larceny
• Boxberry Drive – erratic operation of motor vehicle
• Dexter Lane – larceny of motor vehicle
• Hartley Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• County Road – suspicious person
• New Bedford Road – disturbance
• County Road – motor vehicle accident
• Alley Road – keep the peace
• High Street – suspicious activity
• Pine Street – motor vehicle accident
• Mary's Pond Road – domestic disturbance
• Snipatuit Road – erratic operation of motor vehicle.

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More activity will be taking place from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at the First Congregational Church, 34 Center Street, where Ye Olde Brick Church Faire will be held on Saturday. Crafters will be selling their wares. Cranberry items, Vermont cheddar cheese, baked goods, gourmet foods and candy will be sold. A lobster roll luncheon will be served as well. The church will also be providing strolling carolers to the day's events.

A church fair featuring baked goods and other items will be held at the Centre Methodist Church, 46 Center Street. At the Millicent Library, 45 Center Street, a non-stop reading of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*



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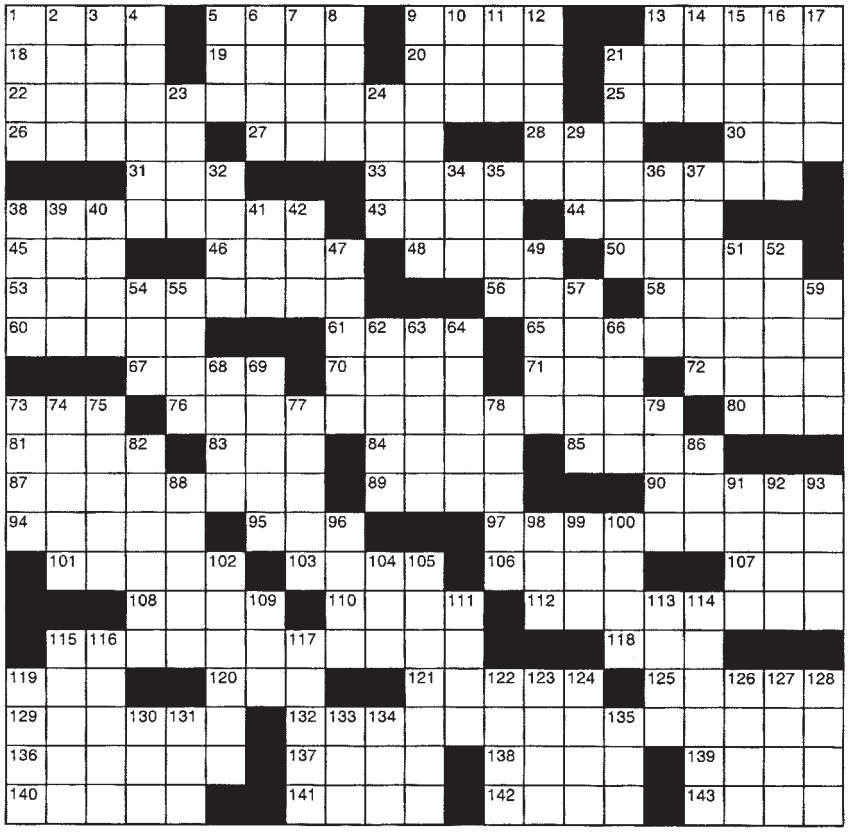
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27 Muslim deity
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30 Pig — poke
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Restless Rams and Ewes might want to let others finish a current project while they start something new. But if you do, you could risk losing out on a future opportunity.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The Bovine's creative forces start revving up as you plan for the upcoming holidays. Some practical aspects also emerge, especially where money is involved.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Moments of doubt disrupt your otherwise clear sense of purpose. Don't ignore them. They could be telling you not to rush into anything until you know more about it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A planned trip might have to be delayed. Plan to use this new free time to update your skills and your resume so you'll be ready when a new job opportunity opens.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A flood of holiday party bids from business contacts allows you to mix work and pleasure. Your knowledge plus your Leonine charm wins you a new slew of admirers.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An unexpected act by a colleague complicates an agreement, causing delays in implementing it. Check out the motive for this move: It's not what you might suspect.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might want to cut ties with an ingrate who seems to have forgotten your past generosity. But there might be a reason for this behavior that you should know about. Ask.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Be careful not to set things in stone. Much could happen over the next several days that will make you rethink some decisions and maybe change them.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your plans to help provide holiday cheer for the less fortunate inspire others to follow your generous example. Expect welcome news by week's end.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You're in your glory as you start planning for the holiday season ahead. But leave time to deal with a problem that needs a quick and fair resolution.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) The upcoming holiday season provides a perfect setting for strengthening relationships with kin and others. A new contact has important information.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Instead of fretting over a cutting remark by a co-worker, chalk it up to an outburst of envy of your well-respected status among both your colleagues and superiors.

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will begin at 11:00 am on Saturday with guest readers presenting the favorite holiday classic. At the same time, children are invited to make Victorian holiday greeting cards with children and youth services librarian Lisa Howard from 11:00 to 1:30 pm. Admission is free.

The Fairhaven Senior Center/Recreation Center, 227 Huttleston Avenue, will host a first anniversary open house from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm in conjunction with the Victorian Holiday. Arts and crafts as well as sports activities and games will entertain the children. Holiday refreshments, a visit from Santa and other surpises are planned, too.

Tea at the Tabitha Inn will be held at Our Lady's Haven, 71 Center Street, with two seatings at 1:30 and 3:30 pm. This elegant Victorian Dessert Tea, featuring Hue teas, pastry, fancy desserts and scones, will be served in the beautifully decorated dining room. Tickets, available at Our Lady's Haven, are $15 in advance and $18 after December 2. For more information, please call 508-999-4561.

In the evening, the Centre Methodist Church, 46 Center Street, will serve its famous ham loaf dinner at 5:30 pm. The price of the meal is $7.50. Reservations for the dinner are suggested. Please call 508-993-5091 for tickets.

The Saturday festivities conclude with the Fairhaven Improvement Association's annual sing-along on the steps of Town Hall, beginning at 7:00 pm. The community is invited to sing favorite holiday carols. Santa

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William T. Nicholson, Superintendent 10/17, 10/24, 10/31, 11/07, 11/14, 11/21, 11/28. 12/05

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 9, 2002 at 8:40 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Clifford White. The proposed project involves the upgrade of a failed septic system with a title 5 septic system.
The project is located at15 Shore View Drive, Mattapoisett, Assessors Map 12, Lot 38.
Conservation Commission 11/21

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
#818 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Sippican Realty Trust, 3 Belcher Street, Plainville MA, (High Street Realty Trust, 405 Washington Street, Braintree, MA owner) who are appealing the denial of a building permit by the Building Commissioner. Subject property is located off High Street, Rochester, Assessors plan 19 a portion of lot 42. The public hearing will be held on December 12, 2002, 7:45 p.m., in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, One Constitution Way.
Ellen E. Endres, Chairman 11/21, 11/28

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
#819 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Philip and Cindy Lefavor, 9 Benson Road, who are seeking a special permit under section VIII.D.9. to allow the conversion of a single family dwelling to a two family dwelling. Property is identified on Assessors maps as plan 43A lot 39. Proposed is the construction of living space above an existing garage. The public hearing will be conducted on December 12, 2002, 7:30 p.m., in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, One Constitution Way.
Ellen E. Endres, Chairman 11/21, 11/28

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LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 9, 2002 at 8:00 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Request for A Determiniation of Applicability submitted by Greg & Lynn Bordwick, 5 Riverbend Lane, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is Lndscaping. The project is located at 5 Riverbend Lane Mattapoisett, Assessors Map 63, Lot 24.
Conservation Commission 11/21

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
PLANNING BOARD
The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 2, 2002 at 8:00 p.m. in the Mattapoisett Town Hall concerning the application for Site Plan Review for The Bay Club at Mattapoisett, LLC, PO Box 1406, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Location of property is east of North Street, north of County Road, west of the Marion line, south of Industrial Drive. Lot #78, portion of 40, 57, 58, 157, 159, 288, 291, 24, 25, 31, 32, 33, portion of 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 43, 44, 46, 11, 12, 13, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 31 on Mattpoisett Assessors Map #9, 16, 23, 26, 27. Proposed Use: Golf Club and associated facilities. Zoning Distict RR30 GB. Complete plans are on file in the office of the Town Clerk and may be inspected by any interested party during normal business hours of the clerk's office.
Mattapoisett Planning Board 11/14, 11/21

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
#820 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Michael P. Meunier and Phyllis Marie Hotte, 72 Sarah Sherman Road, who are seeking a variance under section VIII.B. of Rochester By-laws. Subject property is located on Sarah Sherman Road and identified as Assessors plan 29 lot 1C. The public hearing will be held on December 12, 2002, 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, One Constitution Way.
Ellen E. Endres, Chairman 11/21, 11/28

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 9, 2002 at 9:00 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Notice of Intent submitted by Armen V. Barooshian. The proposed project involves an addition to and renovation of a seasonal dwelling; no additinal bedrooms are proposed. The project is located at 15 North Road, Mattapoisett, Assessors Map 4, Lot 183.
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The Very Victorian Holiday in Fairhaven is sponsored by the participating non-profit, civic and church groups in town. A full program brochure, including a map of event locations, is now available at the Fairhaven Visitors Center, 43 Center Street. The brochure will also be available at the events during the Very Victorian Holiday weekend. The Visitors Center hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The Fairhaven Office of Tourism telephone number is 508-979-4085.

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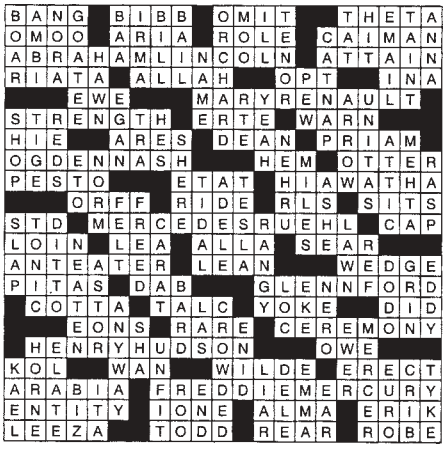
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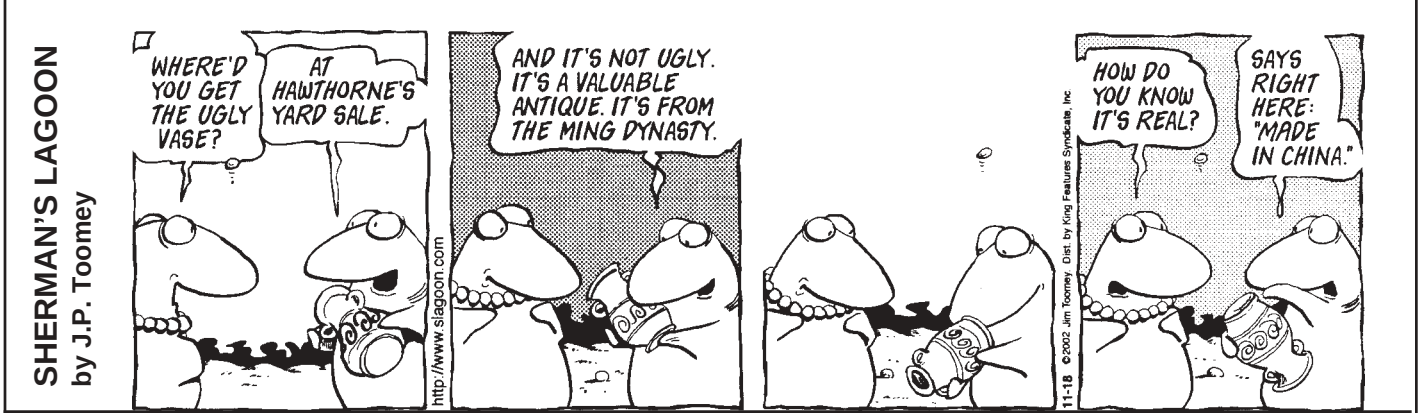
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Claudin Poyant, fine art photographer, started taking pictures in the 1960s. He has studied at the Swain School of Design and Southeastern Massachusetts University, and has done freelance work throughout the southcoast area. Claudin does wedding and commercial photography but prefers the exciting images captured out of doors. His studio is located in the Narrows Historic District of downtown Wareham at 72R Main Street.

Kate Scott is an oil painter, preferring lightweight screens with an Oriental flavor. She has participated in both one-woman and group shows, including those at the Museum of the West in Grand Junction, Colorado, the Aspen Art Museum, Tobey Hospital, Handy's Tavern, and the Marion Art Center. Kate Scott has received many grants for women in the arts and performing arts, including an award from the Colorado Commission for Arts and

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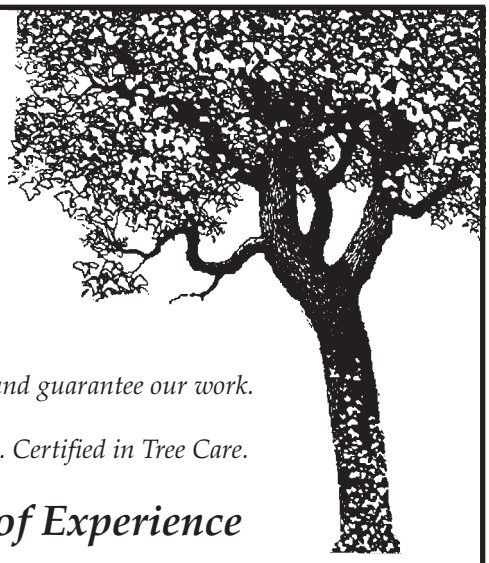
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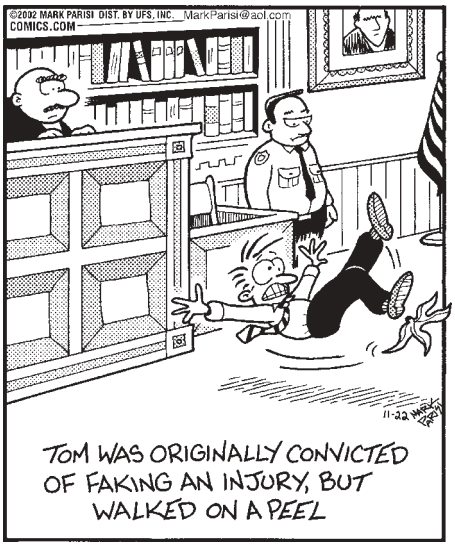
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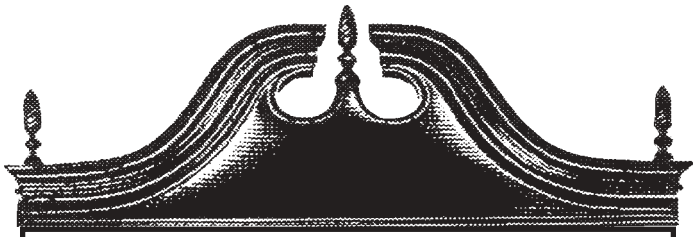
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Humanities. She paints in her studio at British Landing. "I do believe that artists needs each other in an artistically directed community to foster each other productively, do critiques, and encourage each other, in an atmosphere of non-competitive direction," she said. "I am grateful for the Wareham Free Library for allowing me this venue."

Robert Scott is a graphic artist and printmaker, well-known in the greater Wareham area. He received a BFA from Tufts University and also attended the Museum School at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, as well as Kansas City Art Institute and the University of the South in Tennessee. Bob Scott has hung many shows in the greater Wareham area and on Cape Cod. He has received awards from the American Institute of Graphic Arts and the Boston Art Directors Club. His triptych of a local salt marsh is permanently hung in the Wareham Free Library.

The art exhibit will hang for one month in the library's meeting room and in the foyer. The public is welcome to visit the show until the end of November. The Wareham Free Library is located at 59 Marion Road, Wareham. For directions or more information, please call 508-295-2343, extension 12.



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November 22:	Fri.	8:53	9:27	2:02	2:57
November 23:	Sat.	9:36	10:13	2:40	3:35
November 24:	Sun.	10:24	11:05	3:20	4:16
November 25:	Mon.	11:17	11:59	4:05	5:04
November 26:	Tues.	. . .	12:13	4:58	6:06
November 27:	Wed.	12:55	1:12	6:05	7:23
November 28:	Thurs.	1:53	2:13	7:29	8:31
November 29:	Fri.	2:54	3:16	8:53	9:23
November 30:	Sat.	3:54	4:18	10:00	10:09
December 1:	Sun.	4:42	5:16	10:56	10:54
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